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SUBJECT: GOCAR CANCELLATION OF SCED TAX BENEFITS

1. PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 75/528 ISSUED DECEMBER 18 UNILATERALLY CANCELS TAX BENEFITS ACCORDED THE AMERICAN CANADIAN/CAR DIAMOND COMPANY "SOCIETE CENTRAFRICAINE D'EXPLOITATION DIAMANTEIFERE" (SCED). BENEFITS HAD BEEN ACCORDED SCED UNDER REGIME C, THE MOST BENEFICIAL TAX CATEGORY, IN PRESIDENTIAL LETTER DATED FEBRUARY 25, 1972.

2. CAR DIRECTOR FRED OELBAUM OF DIAMOND DISTRIBUTORS INCORPORATED (DDI), PART-OWNER WITH COMINCO OF SCED, CALLED AT EMBASSY DECEMBER 23 TO CONVEY REQUEST FROM DDI NEW YORK OWNER BERT JOLIS THAT CHARGE INQUIRE IF THIS ACTION TAKEN AGAINST SCED ALONE OR WHETHER OTHER FIRMS ENJOYING BENEFITS UNDER REGIME C HAVE ALSO BEEN HIT. EMBASSY ASKED TO ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN RECONSIDERATION OF THE DECREE.

3. FYI SCED/CAR CONVENTION D ETABLISSEMENT PROVIDES THAT IBRD SHALL ARBITRATE DIFFERENCES ARISING BETWEEN THE PARTIES AND BANK HAS AGREED TO THIS. END FYI.

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3. CHARGE PLANS TO RAISE THIS ISSUE WITH PRESIDENT BOKASSA

ALONG WITH TEXACO/MOBIL NATIONALIZATIONS IN GENERAL CONTEXT
OF TOUR D'HORIZON OF US/CAR RELATIONS AT MEETING
REQUESTED BUT NOT YET CONFIRMED FOR DECEMBER 24.
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